are established under the State Sector Minimum Needs Programme. The targets for opening of new CHCs and PHCs are arrived at by the Planning Commission, keeping in view the population of the area, availability of infrastructure and manpower and availability of funds.

Target for opening of new CHCs and PHCs in Maharashtra during the last three years are as indicated below:—

	Target for		
	1992-93	1993-94	1994-95
PHCs	10	—	—
CHCs	5	5	—

The Government of Maharashtra has informed that the State Govt. has prepared a Master Plan based on the 1991 population. Requirement of new centres as per the Master Plan is indicated below:—

Sl. No.	Institution	TSP	Non TSP	Total
1.	Sub-Centres	367	2171	2538
2.	PH Centres	66	350	416
3.	CH Centres	12	86	98

Introduction of electronic voting machines

2598. SHRI KRISHNA KUMAR BIRLA: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government proposed to introduce electronic voting machines in the next General Elections;

(b) whether Government or non-Governmental organisations have conducted survey about the use of electronic voting machines in the next General Elections;

(c) if so, the outcome thereof; and

(d) the reaction of Government on the introduction of electronic voting machines in the country?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF LAW, JUSTICE AND COMPANY AFFAIRS (SHRI H.R. BHARDWAJ): (a) The Election Commission of India has informed that it has decided to explore the possibility of using the Electronic Voting Machine in the next general elections.

(b) No, Sir.

(c) Does not arise.

(d) Government is in favour of existing Electronic Voting Machines being put to use in elections wherever feasible.

Catering Services at Railway Stations

2599. SHRI V. NARAYANASAMY: SHRI GURUDAS DAS GUPTA:

Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) the number of platforms in each of the 68 railway stations where catering services are departmentally run;

(b) the number of stalls and the products sold/permitted to be sold at each such stall;

(c) the amount of fee collected from each stall the amount of commission, if any, earned from each stall during the financial years 1993-94 and 1994-95 and the duration of the contract for each stall;

(d) the number of trains stopping at these stations every day and the estimated number of passengers travelling on these trains every day; and

(e) the details of the catering corporation proposed to be set up by Government and the likely time frame within which this will be set up?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI SURESH KALMADI): (a) to (e) Information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the Sabha.

Amount owed to Industries

2600. SHRI SANJAY DALMIA: Will